

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: stfdlt

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Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 28 July 2020

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 27 July 2020

Summary of reasons for decision:

The image file is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes. The image depicts a young naked boy in a highly sexualised pose. The image presents children as readily available and appropriate subjects for adult sexual attention and can only be intended for the sexual arousal of those with a prurient interest in young boys. The objectionable classification interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.